

MAINE EMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Date: Wednesday, May 10, 2000, Maine EMS Office, Augusta, Maine
 Members Present: J. Caron, D. Palladino, S. Shapleigh (0930), B. Davis, P. Plumer (0940), B. Zito (0935), J. Partridge, L. Worden
 Maine EMS Staff: D. Corning, D. White, B. Montejo
 Guests:
 Absent: J. Brinkman, C. Boehm, P. Conley, D. Robishaw, B. Demchak, G. Miller, L. Delano, P. Marcolini (Chairman), K. Pomelow
 Timekeeper: None
 Meeting opened at: 9:30 AM

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ACTIONS TAKEN	FUTURE ACTION
Additions to Agenda	There were no additions to the agenda	
Ratification of Minutes	Motion: To accept the April minutes as presented. (Palladino/Davis)	✓ Dwight - Disperse as appropriate
Staff Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The Exam Committee is working on a standardized evaluation (written and practical) for the EMT-I Upgrade program. They are also contracting out for someone to develop 48 written test questions to be used with this evaluation and/or the new state EMT-I written test. ✓ The MDPB has updated the protocol to reflect that Nitro is not to be used if Viagra has been taken in the last 24 hours. They have also begun a discussion on Critical Care ground transport, and will continue that discussion at the May meeting. ✓ The A.A.G. has signed off on our new rules, and they are now at the office of the Secretary of State. ✓ LD 678 (the bill to mandate AVOC) ended with a \$50,000 one time budget for a pilot study of how this program could be best provided and funded, with a report due to the Legislature in January 2001. ✓ The Maine EMS Supplemental Budget bill passed, restoring what was lost in block grants, and adding \$25,000 for our increase in the data contract. ✓ Statewide I/C Guidelines - All sponsorship issues have been removed from the late draft, and the Ops Team supports that as long as there is a Q.A. component in place. ✓ After the June batch of testing Drexell will get the results of the NREMT BB9 test statistics, and the Ops Team will look for any recent trends in test results. 	✓ No action items necessary
EMT-Intermediate Update	The new curriculum is going to print this week. The Ops Team continues to review and	✓ No action items necessary

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finalize the last minute details.

I/C Program

Drexell and Bill were present at the meeting to review the work they had been doing on the I/C Guidelines document. Some of the items identified under the Associate Instructor that will need additional attention include:

- ✓ Need to complete the Associate Instructor Module and apprenticeship prior to applying to MEMS for certification.
- ✓ The apprenticeship program needs to be clearly outlined and pass/fail criteria established.
- ✓ The curriculum for the Associate Modules needs to be developed.

Under the Recertification section it was decided to remove “Maintain favorable student evaluations” entirely and leave it up to a training entity to file a complaint with MEMS there is a significant competency issue.

It was also agreed that the decertification process would follow the exact same process decertifying a licensed provider, i.e. a complaint would be filed with MEMS, the Investigations Committee would consider it for an investigation, if appropriate an investigation would begin, and the I/C would have all of the appeal rights currently granted to a licensed provider.

Under the Lead Instructor process, the committee had lengthy discussion on the issues length of experience, waivers for an MD, DO, PA, or RN, whether “a college level degree in Adult Education” is appropriate for meeting the Training Program requirement, student evaluations, maintaining CEH’s, and student teaching criteria. All of these items need discussed further at the June meeting.

✓ **Dwight** - Assign time on the June agenda to continue this discussion.

One Vision Document

Nothing to report, time was spent on the I/C Program topic.

✓ No action items necessary

EMT-P NSC

Nothing to report, time was spent on the I/C Program topic.

✓ No action items necessary

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM.

Next Education Committee Meeting: June 14, 2000 9:00 am - noon